1 BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION 2 OF THE STATE OF OREGON 3 In the Matter of the STIPULATION OF FACTS. Teaching License of) AND FINAL ORDER OF 5 SHARRONE SCALF VINCENT) SUSPENSION 6 On October 3, 2008, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission) 7 received a report from the Superintendent of the Rainier School District that an investigation 8 was conducted regarding allegations that Sharrone Scalf Vincent (Vincent) inappropriately 9 grabbed the arm of a student. After review of the matters alleged, Vincent and the Commission 10 agree that their respective interests, together with the public interest, are best served by a 11 stipulation to certain facts and the imposition of a one year suspension of licensure. 12 This document sets forth the facts upon which the parties have agreed and the stipulated 13 sanction to be imposed. Vincent stipulates that there is sufficient evidence in the Commission's 14 files and records to support the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order set forth below. 15 By signing below, Vincent acknowledges, understands, stipulates, and agrees to the 16 following: (i) she has been fully advised of her rights to notice and a hearing to contest the 17 findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order set forth below, and fully and finally waives all 18 such rights and any rights to appeal or otherwise challenge this Stipulation of Facts, Order of 19 Suspension (Stipulation and Final Order); (ii) this Stipulation and Final Order is a public 20 document and disclosed to the public upon request by the Commission; (iii) this Stipulation and 21 Final Order is contingent upon and subject to approval and adoption by the Commission. If the 22 Commission does not approve and adopt this Stipulation and Final Order, then neither Vincent 23 nor the Commission are bound by the terms herein; (iv) she has fully read this Stipulation and 24 Final Order, and understands it completely; (v) she voluntarily, without any force or duress, 25 enters into this Stipulation and Final Order and consents to issuance and entry of the Stipulated 26 Final Order below; (vi) she states that no promises or representation has been made to induce 27 her to sign this Stipulation and Final Order; and (vii) she has consulted with an attorney 28 regarding this Stipulation and Final Order and has been fully advised with regard to her rights

thereto, or waives any and all rights to consult with an attorney prior to entering into this Stipulation and Final Order and issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below. This stipulation is contingent upon approval and adoption of the Order by the Commission. If the Commission does not adopt this Order, neither Vincent nor the Commission are bound by these Stipulations and Vincent retains all rights to a hearing on the allegations. STIPULATION OF FACTS 1. The Commission has licensed Sharronne Scalf Vincent since September 9, 1975. Vincent's current Standard Teaching License, issued on June 29, 2008, expires on June 28, 2013. During all relevant times Vincent worked as a teacher with Rainier School District. 2. During the course of a trial in Columbia County Circuit Court, the Columbia County District Attorney's Office produced evidence that: On September 12, 2008 Vincent confronted two male students as they were leaving her classroom. Another teacher had instructed the students to photocopy their assignments before turning them in for grading. Vincent barred the way of one student, and in an attempt to take his assignment from him, grabbed him by the upper arm leaving visible bruises. As the other student tried to leave Vincent's classroom, Vincent grabbed him by the arm, leaving a bruise on it. ///

1	3. At the conclusion of the trial, on September 24, 2009, Vincent was convicted of one
2	count of Harassment (ORS 166.065). Vincent was acquitted of a second count of
3	Harassment. As a result of the conviction Vincent was placed on probation for 18
4	months. The terms of that probation specified that Vincent "have no contact with
5	minors where defendant is in an authoritative, teaching, or instructive capacity."
6	Vincent's appeal of the conviction is pending.
7	IT IS SO STIPULATED AND AGREED TO:
8	Sharrone Scalf Vincent Date Sharrone Scalf Vincent Date 5-4-11
10 11 12	Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director Teacher Standards and Practices Commission Date
13	CONCLUSION OF LAW
14	The Columbia County Circuit Court concluded that Sharrone Scalf Vincent grabbed a
15	student with sufficient force to leave visible bruises. This constitutes gross neglect of duty in
16	violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-
17	0010(5) (Use professional judgment) and OAR 584-020-0010(1) (Recognize the worth and
18	dignity of all persons and respect for each individual) and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(d)
19	(Unreasonable physical force against students, fellow employees, or visitors to the school,
20	except as permitted under ORS 339.250).
21	As a result of the above described conviction Vincent was convicted of Harassment. As
22	term of Vincent's probation she was not allowed contact with minors in a teaching or
23	authoritative capacity. This constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b);
24	OAR 584-020-0040(5)(c) (Conviction of violating any federal, state, or local law. A conviction
25	includes any final judgment of conviction by a court whether as the result of guilty plea, no
26	contest plea or any other means.).
27	The Commission has the authority to impose discipline in this matter under ORS
28	342.120 through 342.430 and OAR Chapter 584.
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1 FINAL ORDER 2 The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above findings of fact and 3 conclusion of law, based thereon, hereby suspends the Standard Teaching License of Sharronne 4 Scalf Vincent for one year. Issued and dated this 6 day of May, 2011. 5 6 TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION 7 STATE OF OREGON 8 9 10 Opproved by Commission on 5-13-11.

Contingent upon return by June 3, 2011.

Beturned by atterney on 9-20-11.

Year suspension begins on date order signed by Executive Director.

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